

## A RECESS IS AGREED UPON

### Convention to Adjourn From Friday Till January 1st.

## CAUSED A LONG DEBATE.

Many Propositions Made and Voted Down  
Mr. Thum's Amendment to the Rules is Laid Over.

The convention spent nearly two hours yesterday afternoon in the question of a recess, and finally adopted a resolution offered by Mr. Keeney in the nature of a substitute for the many pending propositions providing that when the body adjourn on Friday next it be to reconvene on January 1st at noon. This resolution carries with it full pay for the members and employees of the convention.

**DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.**  
The convention was called to order by President George at noon, and prayer was offered by Rev. B. Beauchamp, of the Methodist Church.

Sixty-six members answered to their names, and the Journal of Saturday's proceedings was read and approved.

Several leaves of absence were granted, and some minor amendments and petitions were received and referred.

The President laid before the convention the resolution of Mr. O'Flaherty providing that when the convention adjourns on Friday next it adjourn to meet on Thursday, January 2d.

Mr. Brown offered a substitute providing for adjournment from December 19th to January 6th.

Mr. Turnbull offered an amendment providing that the members should not draw any pay in the interim.

Mr. O'Flaherty opposed the Turnbull amendment. Dr. Melville spoke for a short recess. Mr. Thum suggested the adjournment to January 1st.

Mr. Moore, of Fairfax, spoke for January 2d, as he thought the hall would be used on January 1st for the State Inaugural ceremonies.

Mr. Thom spoke for his amendment. Mr. Thom's amendment was apparently adopted, and Mr. Keeney demanded the ayes and noes, which resulted as follows: Ayes, 25; noes, 48.

Mr. Pollard offered an amendment, providing for adjournment from December 24th to December 26th. It was rejected on roll call: Ayes, 14; noes, 54.

Mr. Lindsay offered an amendment, providing for adjournment from December 26th to December 29th. Messrs. Kendall and Allen spoke for a long recess. Mr. Kendall wanted an adjournment without pay.

**AMENDMENT LOST.**  
The roll call on Mr. Lindsay's amendment resulted: Ayes, 24; noes, 43.

Mr. Barbour offered an amendment to the original proposition that the adjournment be to January 2d, without pay. The roll call on the amendment resulted: Ayes, 26; noes, 29.

Mr. Brown changed his substitute so as to provide for adjournment on December 29th, the recess to last until January 6th.

Mr. Moore, of Montgomery, offered an amendment to the substitute, providing an adjournment from December 29th to January 6th, with pay. He spoke twice for his amendment.

Mr. Turnbull raised the point that the amendment was out of order, but he was not sustained by the chair. The amendment was rejected: Ayes, 21; noes, 55.

Mr. Brown's substitute was voted upon and a roll call was demanded, which resulted as follows: Ayes, 10; noes, 48.

Mr. O'Flaherty accepted the amendment providing that the reconvening be January 1st instead of the 2d.

Mr. Thom offered an amendment, providing for a recess from December 23d to December 27th.

On roll call, the amendment was rejected: Ayes, 10; noes, 48.

Mr. Moore, of Fairfax, raised the point that the gentleman from Warren had no right to accept an amendment to his resolution. The point was sustained by the chair, and the resolution of Mr. O'Flaherty providing for a recess from December 20th to January 2d, without pay, was rejected: Ayes, 28; noes, 46.

Mr. Gordon, of Richmond, offered a substitute, providing for adjournment from December 20th to January 6th without pay to members or employees, but with mileage.

**RECESS WITH PAY.**  
The subject of adjournment. He said the action of the convention on the subject was ridiculous. There should be a reasonable adjournment with pay. He offered as a substitute for the vote that the recess be from December 20th to January 1st.

Mr. Withers moved that all matters relative to adjournment be passed by until Friday. This was lost, and the vote was then taken on Mr. Keeney's substitute. The roll call was demanded and resulted as follows: Ayes, 42; noes, 27.

Mr. Wise moved to reconsider and then moved to lay his motion on the table, which was carried.

Mr. Barbour moved that the recess first voted for be without pay to the members. After many points of order and some cross-firing the chair ruled that the motion of Mr. Barbour was out of order, and from this decision the member from Culpeper appealed: Ayes, 55; noes, 12.

Mr. Barbour moved to take from the table the motion of Mr. Wise to reconsider the vote by which the convention agreed to the substitute offered as an adjournment with pay. He moved, and the chair ruled the motion out of order.

**TO CUT OFF DEBATE.**  
The chair laid before the convention the following proposed amendment to the rules, offered by Mr. Thom:

Resolved, That no debate on a motion to reconsider or upon a reconsideration, unless this rule be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members voting.

The member from Norfolk spoke briefly in favor of his amendment to the rules, and it was opposed by Mr. Turnbull.

Mr. Thornton suggested that ten-minute speeches be allowed on motion to reconsider. The chair ruled that the amendment was not in order under the rules.

The hour of 2 o'clock having arrived, the body adjourned until 10 o'clock to-day.

**Mr. Briggs Here.**  
Mr. R. G. Briggs, president of the Wells-Whitehead Tobacco Company, of Wilson, N. C., has been in Richmond

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**MUYON'S INHALER CURES CATARRH**  
for a few days, stopping over here on his way to New York. While in the city he was registered at Murphy's Hotel.

## DAY IN THE POLICE COURT.

Two Young Men Fined for Reckless Driving on Fr day.

In the Police Court yesterday Justice Crutchfield fined two young men, L. Dow Cherry and Eddie Calkie \$10 each for reckless driving last Friday. There was the usual Monday morning gathering of remorseful ones who had been drinking, not wisely, but well.

Christina Giles, very black, very short and very sensitive, was fined \$10 for striking Mr. W. W. Campbell three times with a baseball but on last Saturday, Mr. Campbell called at Christina's home with a friend, a collector, and was attacked without reason. Christina is an old-time in police circles, and the court put little faith in her statement that she "never touch out white man."

Bob White, a negro, took several drinks Saturday and thought that it would be rare sport to shoot Tom Thompson. Thompson ran, and Bob received thirty days and a \$30 fine for carrying concealed weapons. In addition to twelve months for shooting at a man.

Will Roth (white) was asleep in the hall of a private residence. It cost him thirty days. Mattie Green, black, got twenty days for drinking too much. Ernest Morgan and George Puckett, both white, were fined \$25 each for being drunk.

**VIRGINIA IN JAMES RIVER.**  
Steamer Towed from Trigg Yard Docks to the River Proper.

With the flood of yesterday the steamer Virginia was towed into James River proper from the docks of the Trigg shipyards, thus doing away with the necessity of constructing a coffer-dam at an expense of \$3,000. It was thought this dam would be necessary, but the case of one of the tope-to-boats, the flood came to the rescue at the proper moment, thus saving money for the Trigg yards. The Virginia was towed into deep water with perfect ease, and without the slightest hitch.

Mr. Nelson was asked yesterday how the Galveston would be placed in deep water when the time for her launching came. He said that as the Galveston is to be launched in the river basin proper this would be a problem which the Trigg yards would not have to struggle with. Inconvenient as it is at times, floods are usually welcome at the Trigg yards, as they nearly always do a favor in the matter of moving craft from the docks to the river.

**FOR THE COLLEGE.**  
Professor Mitchell Touches the Hearts of His Hearers—Several Contributions.

At the First Baptist Church on Sunday, Professor S. C. Mitchell, member of the congregation, made a short statement in behalf of Richmond College. He consumed only about five minutes and yet when he concluded there was many a moist eye among the hearers. The people of the First Church expect to raise over the \$10,000 assigned to them.

President P. W. Boatwright, of Richmond College, was in Randolph-Street Church Sunday morning in the interest of Richmond College. After the service a collection was taken for the college and nearly \$200 was raised.

Richmond College was remembered in the Leigh-Street Baptist Church at the morning service Sunday, and over \$500 was raised in about fifteen minutes.

**OBSERVE THE HOLIDAYS.**  
No Sales on Tobacco Breaks Friday Till and January 2d.

Sales on the Richmond tobacco stands will be discontinued for the Christmas holidays. The warehouses have agreed to stop selling on Friday next and to resume again on January 2d. It is expected that the new year will open with a great rush.

There will be light sales on all the breaks to-day. Comparatively a small quantity of tobacco came into town yesterday and last night, and the spread to-day will be much larger than yesterday. However, that by the latter part of the week—on Thursday and Friday—unusually heavy sales will be held, owing to the recent favorable rains. Carriers coming into town yesterday reported good seasons in all directions.

**NEWS IN THE COUNTY.**  
Given Six Months for Stealing at a Funeral.

**Pleas, Dabney Convicted.**  
Harry Knight, a young white man, charged with stealing at a funeral some months ago, was tried yesterday in the County Court. He pleaded guilty, and was given six months.

**Pleas, Dabney, charged with wrecking a Chesapeake and Ohio engine on September 21st and throwing it into the canal, was tried and given two years in the penitentiary. He was represented by Mr. William C. Tucker. Dabney was arrested by Detective Duke.**

A warrant is out for the arrest of Thomas Watkins (colored), charged with assaulting a negro woman named Frye, Constable Samuel Hunt after the man Sunday to arrest him, but he escaped.

A white woman named Mrs. Ray has been released from jail by order of Judge Wickham.

**Residence Entered.**  
Thieves entered the house of Mr. Daniel McCarthy Sunday night and robbed him of about \$10, which he was keeping for the poor fund of the First Baptist Church. Entrance was gained through the front window and thence into the back parlor, where the money was locked in a desk. The police are after the thieves.

**Dr. Smith on the Fall of Quebec.**  
Dr. W. R. L. Smith will lecture at Leigh-Street Baptist Church tonight on "The Fall of Quebec." This is the third of the series of lectures given under the auspices of the "Home Department" of the church. The public are cordially invited. Admission free.

**For the Organ Fund.**  
The young people of Bethel Church will present "The Confederate Spy," at Midway Church, December 25th, for the benefit of the Organ Fund of that church.

**Cured of Piles**  
Where Knife Failed.

Amos Crocker, of Worcester, writes: "After going through a frightful surgical operation and after trying any number of salves and ointments, one box of Pyramid Pile Cure gave speedy relief and it quickly cured me." All druggists sell it. Little book, "Piles, Causes and Cure," free. Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich.

**lost His Badge.**  
Officer Phil Neilsen, of the Second District, lost his badge, No. 30, while in attendance upon Sergeant Cosby's funeral last Sunday. He would be grateful for its return to him at the Second Station.

**Federal Building News.**  
Captain George, revenue collector in charge of the raid which resulted in the capture of J. W. Hicks, the king of moonshiners, in Halifax county last week, was at headquarters yesterday.

Colonel Charles H. Ingram, revenue agent, returned Sunday from Washington.

Special Gauger Bivins, who has been transferred to this territory to Boston, left yesterday evening.

Postoffice Inspector Bulla is in the city. Deputy Marshal Bendit has returned from Prince Edward county.

**Gas Cut Off.**  
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## SCILEY PAPER IS REFERRED

Senate Failed to Concur in Action of House.

WAS NOT PROPER TO ACT

Sensors Who Made Addresses Thought It Would Not Be Appropriate to Criticize—Proceedings of Senate and House.

The Senate yesterday practically rejected the resolutions in reference to Commodore Schley passed by the House. They were referred to a committee. All the Senators who made addresses were of opinion that the General Assembly of Virginia had nothing to do with this matter.

Mr. Keeney characterized the resolutions as "buncombe." Mr. Barksdale thought they were not proper, and all others who spoke took the view that this was not a matter for the Legislature to deal with.

With this exception, the proceedings in both branches were without any unusual interest. The Senate was in session about an hour; the House two hours and a half. Mr. W. S. Matthews was elected judge of the County Court of Wise, to succeed Judge Bond, resigned.

**Proceedings of the Senate.**  
The Schley resolutions adopted by the House Saturday were referred to the Committee on General Laws by the Senate.

These were Delegate Baker's resolutions looking to sending to the Virginia Senators and Representatives in Congress a formal expression of the indignation of the people of Virginia over the verdict of the court of inquiry.

Mr. Barksdale characterized these resolutions as "undignified, unseemingly and out of order."

Mr. Keeney said the proposition was "buncombe."

Messrs. Opie and Claiborne both opposed concurrence in the resolutions.

Dr. Donohoe relieved the situation by moving the reference of the paper to the Committee on General Laws, and this was adopted.

The Senate met at 3 P. M. with prayer by the Rev. W. B. Beauchamp, of the Broad-Street Methodist Church.

The following House bills were passed under a suspension of the rules:

To authorize the supervisors of Appomattox county to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate dead.

To authorize the County Court and supervisors to allow a Confederate monument to be erected on the public square at Appomattox Courthouse.

Declaring Stuart's Creek, in Halifax county, to be a lawful fence.

**ELECTION OF JUDGE.**  
At 3:45 the Senate proceeded to the execution of the joint order, having for its object the election of a judge for the County Court of Wise. W. S. Matthews had no opposition and received all the votes cast.

**BILLS INTRODUCED.**  
The following bills were introduced and referred:

By Mr. Cromwell: To amend the charter of the Potomac River Railroad Company, to be published by the company to build a railroad from a point at or near the mouth of the Rappahannock or York River to some point on the line between Virginia and West Virginia, in or near Rockingham county.

To incorporate the Norfolk and Lake Drummond Railway Company.

By the same: To incorporate the Norfolk County Industrial Company.

By Mr. St. Clair: To authorize the supervisors of Pulaski county to borrow money for the construction and repairs across New River at Towes Ferry, in Pulaski county.

By Mr. Cromwell: To incorporate the Portsmouth and Suffolk Rapid Transit Company.

By Mr. St. Clair: To amend the road law of Pulaski county.

By Mr. Clayton: Making the sending of anonymous letter or one signed with a fictitious name demanding money a felony, to be punishable by confinement in the penitentiary not less than one nor more than five years.

By Mr. Sale: To incorporate the Norfolk Bridge Company.

**HOUSE BILLS PASSED.**  
To authorize the city of Norfolk to close Duke Street Canal.

To authorize Roanoke city to issue bonds.

Authorizing supervisors of Rockbridge county to issue bonds.

To define a lateral fence for Little River District in Floyd county.

**SENATE BILLS PASSED.**  
To incorporate the American Ministers' Life Insurance Company.

The Senate adjourned at 4 o'clock.

**House Proceeds.**  
The House was called to order at 9 o'clock by Speaker Ryan. There was no prayer. A number of Senate bills were reported and voted referred or placed in calendar, according to their importance.

Mr. Lee offered a joint resolution calling for the printing of 1,000 copies of the report of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia.

Mr. Cator offered a joint resolution calling for the appointment of a committee to inquire into and report the condition of the Capitol building to the Legislature.

Mr. Gardner moved that the Register of the Land Office be directed to remove the carpet from the floor of the House during the recess and put linoleum in its place. Mr. Hunley opposed the resolution and wanted it to be referred. Mr. Gardner withdrew.

**SENATE BILL PASSED.**  
To authorize the Board of Supervisors of Frederick county to purchase the private stock of the North Frederick Turnpike Company.

**HOUSE BILLS PASSED.**  
Vesting conductors and motormen on street cars in the counties of this State with police powers, and authorizing them to carry concealed arms while on duty.

To amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled "an act to confirm the organization and corporate existence of and to grant certain powers to the Washington, Arlington and Falls Church Railway Company," approved March 4, 1892.

By Mr. C. H. Gurney, of Richmond city, to stand the required examination to practice law.

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# Why Syrup of Figs is the best family laxative

It is pure.  
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It is pleasant.  
It is efficacious.  
It is not expensive.  
It is good for children.  
It is excellent for ladies.  
It is convenient for business men.  
It is perfectly safe under all circumstances.  
It is used by millions of families the world over.  
It stands highest, as a laxative, with physicians.  
If you use it you have the best laxative the world produces.

Boaz also opposed the proposition. The resolution was referred.

**WANTED PRAYER EACH DAY.**  
A resolution was offered by Mr. G. Bland and adopted, requesting the Speaker to invite some minister to offer prayer each day in the House. This was adopted.

The House concurred in a Senate joint resolution fixing 3:45 P. M. as the hour for electing a judge of the County Court of Wise. Mr. G. Bland, of Russell, nominated Mr. W. S. Matthews to succeed Judge W. H. Bond, resigned, and he was elected after roll-call, upon which he received all the votes cast.

The structure was being erected by Allison & Addison for the E. B. Taylor Company, and was intended for a general jobbing house. The Fulton Brick Company was doing the masonry work. It is said that the wind swirled down to the building from the top, there being no roof, and this, combined with a weak foundation, caused the collapse. Bricks were scattered all over the street, but these were cleared away, traffic not being interfered with.

The weak foundation was in the southeastern corner of the building. There an iron girder, which descended to the foundation sank about eighteen inches, lowering that corner of the structure and throwing the entire eastern end of the building out of plumb. This was followed by the toppling over of the front. It was stated yesterday that it may be necessary to tear down the eastern wall, which had been completed and build another on a deeper foundation.

**REV. MR. MARKS EXPLAINS.**  
Tells How Young Clifton Worked His Fake Game—Criticism for Police.

At the First English Lutheran Church Sunday the Rev. C. A. Marks made a personal explanation concerning the fake scheme worked off on members of the congregation by C. W. Clifton and son, both of whom are now in jail.

Mr. Marks declared that young Clifton represented himself to be a student at the Philadelphia Lutheran College, and that his evident earnestness was convincing. The imposture was discovered when Mr. Marks telegraphed to the principal of the college and received in reply a letter setting forth the real character of the men. Mr. Marks severely criticized the Richmond police. He said that the chief laughed when he told him of the affair, but would render no assistance. It was some time, Mr. Marks said, before any one could be gotten to act in the matter.

**CITY COURT ITEMS.**  
Stegle Case Will Be Continued in Law and Equity Court To-Day.

The Stegler-David suit, that has already taken up three days in the Law and Equity Court, was continued over from yesterday to to-day. Argument will probably close this afternoon, and the case given to the jury.

A marriage license has been issued to Charles E. Schmidt and Esther Schneider, the marriage to take place on Wednesday.

In the Chancery Court yesterday William B. Sutton qualified as administrator of John E. Bland.

**Firemen's Relief Fund.**  
The Fire Department has received through Chief Puller \$50 from the Traction Company and \$50 from the Virginia Electrical and Railway Construction Company, as a recognition of their services in the recent fire at the Halstons Building.

A check for \$25 was also given by S. Ullman's Son for services at a recent fire at his store on Marshall Street. The money goes to the Firemen's Relief Fund.

**Car Strikes a Boar.**  
As several hogs and cows were being driven up Main Street yesterday by two colored boys, one of the boys became frightened at a car and dashed into a Clay-Street car, with the result that he was considerably shaken up.

For a time it seemed that the whole line of cars would be blocked.

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